

about 70 percent of companies in the most profitable industries.

This failure follows the Iranian nuclear deal, providing over \$100 billion to a regime that proclaims “death to America” and “death to Israel.”

By failing to stop ISIL-Daesh, the President’s legacy has led to Syrians fleeing, children drowning at sea, and chemical weapons attacks killing Iraqi children in their homes. The President can still change course to promote a strong America with peace through strength.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and may the President, by his actions, never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

STEVEN STEINER IS A CREDIT TO THE GRANITE STATE

(Mr. GUINTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a New Hampshire hero.

Conway’s Steven Steiner, an emergency medical technician, has devoted his life to helping others. Off duty in Manchester one day, he noticed a commotion. A car had stopped in traffic. Steven saw that the man behind the wheel had lost consciousness. He pulled the man from his car and successfully administered CPR, not once, but twice, after the man lost consciousness a second time. He had overdosed, unfortunately, on heroin.

Steven, who lost his own son to an OxyContin overdose, saved that man’s life. ABC News happened to be there to document New Hampshire’s fight against opiates and heroin, capturing the life-or-death moment.

Steven is a credit to the Granite State. He started Dads and Moms Against Drug Dealers to stop the spread of opiates and heroin in our great State of New Hampshire.

Most heroin enters our country across the southern border, where I will visit this April to investigate. As Steven knows from experience, we must stop deadly drugs like heroin from entering our country, just as we must help those who are struggling with this addiction.

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PRESERVE CASTNER RANGE

(Mr. O’ROURKE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. O’ROURKE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask for the support and help of my colleagues to preserve a very special place in my community known as Castner Range.

Castner Range is 7,000 acres in the Chihuahuan Desert wilderness, where you have unique flora and fauna and human history dating back to 10,000 years before our time. These 7,000 acres

are a jewel to our binational region of 3 million people and a treasure to the United States.

For that reason, I ask Congress to join my community in its grassroots efforts to preserve Castner Range as a national monument so that this generation and those that follow can enjoy this national treasure in perpetuity.

IRAN AND NORTH KOREA COCONSPIRATORS IN MISCHIEF

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, a satellite flying in space over the Super Bowl, a long-range missile test, 15 other missile launches, the test of a so-called hydrogen bomb, and threats to destroy Manhattan. This is North Korean saber rattling in 2016 alone.

It is safe to assume the Iranians were on site as witnesses to these latest violations of international law.

Why? Because the Iranian scientists have been present nearly every time the North Koreans have issued or launched missiles for decades.

The rogue nations of Iran and North Korea have been working together since the 1980s on missile development. During the 1990s, they started developing long-range ballistic missiles. By the 2000s, the Iranians were giving North Korea sensitive data from their own tests to improve North Korean missile systems.

Mr. Speaker, North Korea already has the ability to attack South Korea, and Iran has the ability to attack Israel. These long-range missiles are intended for the United States.

The American people should understand the threat we face. We should be prepared. Our Nation must sanction these belligerent powers and develop a robust missile defense system to protect our homeland.

And that is just the way it is.

FAILURES OF WMATA

(Mrs. COMSTOCK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to address an issue of grave concern to my constituents.

Last week’s unprecedented closure of the entire Metrorail system demonstrated Metro’s ongoing safety failures. This week, the Federal Transit Administration launched its safety blitz of Metro, focusing on the training and oversight of inspectors and the maintenance workers, as well as the management of track defect data.

Paul Wiedefeld, the new general manager of Metro, issued a letter to the public several weeks ago identifying many of the problems, including management problems. First and foremost, he said: “The safety culture at Metro is not integrated with operations, nor well-rooted at all levels.”

For example, although this has already been noted, he noted that there were more red lights blown through in 2015 by its operators than in either 2013 or 2014. Clearly, we are going the wrong direction, and we need to improve Metro.

I look forward to working with my colleagues on this important measure to protect the Metro system of the Nation’s capital.

STOP SEXUAL ABUSE OF AFGHAN CHILDREN

(Mr. ROONEY of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, last fall, it was reported that sexual abuse of children by members of the Afghan military has been rampant for years, and that, in some instances, U.S. servicemembers have been punished for attempting to stop such abuse.

As our mission in Afghanistan reaches 15 years, our troops should not feel that our strategy is undermined by Afghan forces committing human rights violations against innocent children.

Along with 94 of my colleagues in both the House and the Senate, I requested a full inquiry into the U.S. Government’s experience with allegations of sexual abuse of children by members of the Afghan security and police forces. This investigation has been launched by the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, who will evaluate the Department of Defense’s and State Department’s policies and procedures for ensuring U.S. funds do not support human rights violators.

Sexually harming innocent children should not be condoned in any part of the world, and the children of Afghanistan deserve the same protection as any of God’s children.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. CHAFFETZ (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today and for the balance of the week on account of a family obligation that requires him to be in his home State of Utah.

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and March 22 on account of official business.

Ms. JACKSON LEE (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and March 22 on account of official travel with President Barack Obama to Cuba.

Mr. JEFFRIES (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today.

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and March 22 on account of traveling to Cuba with the President.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker’s